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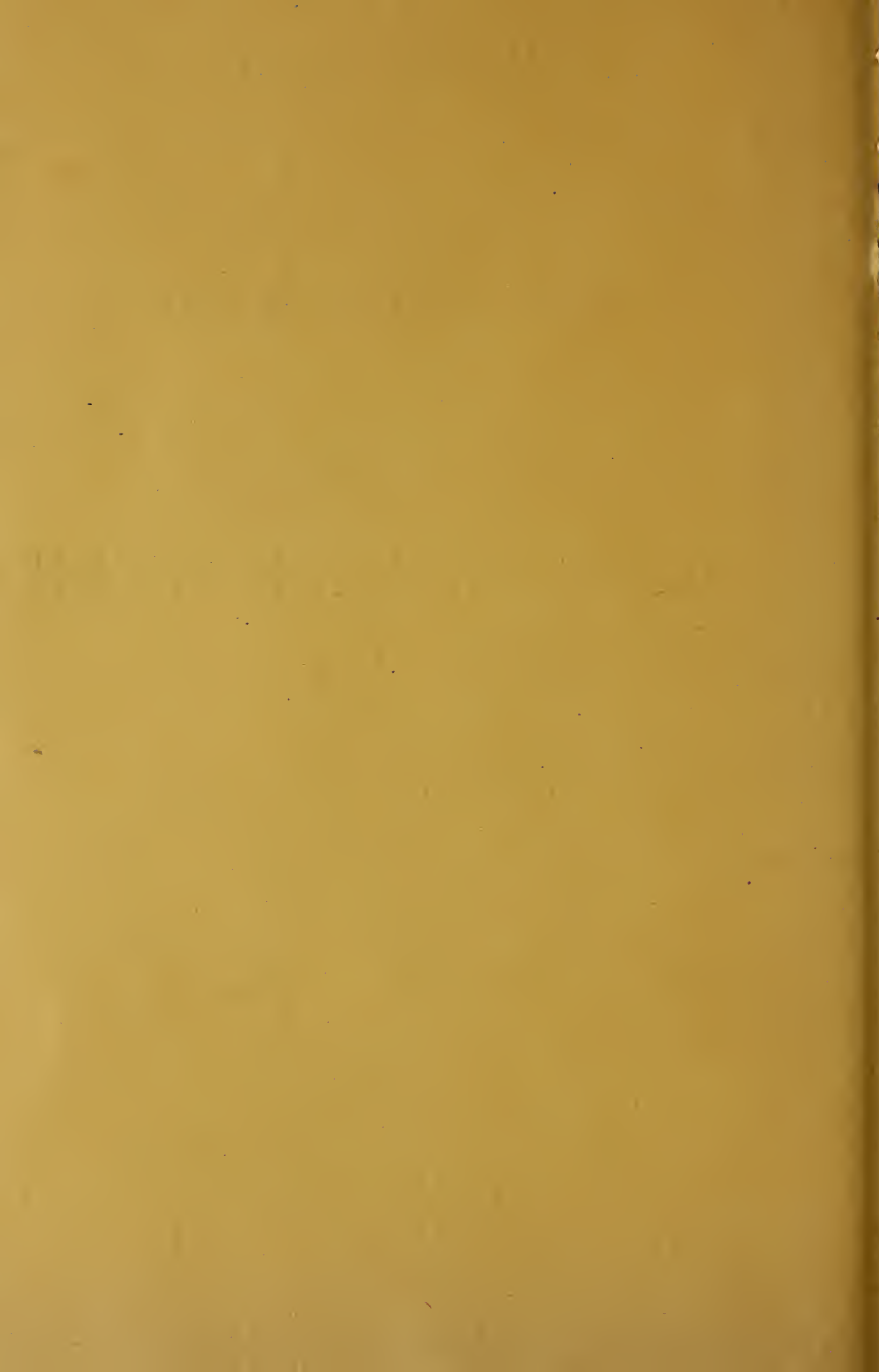
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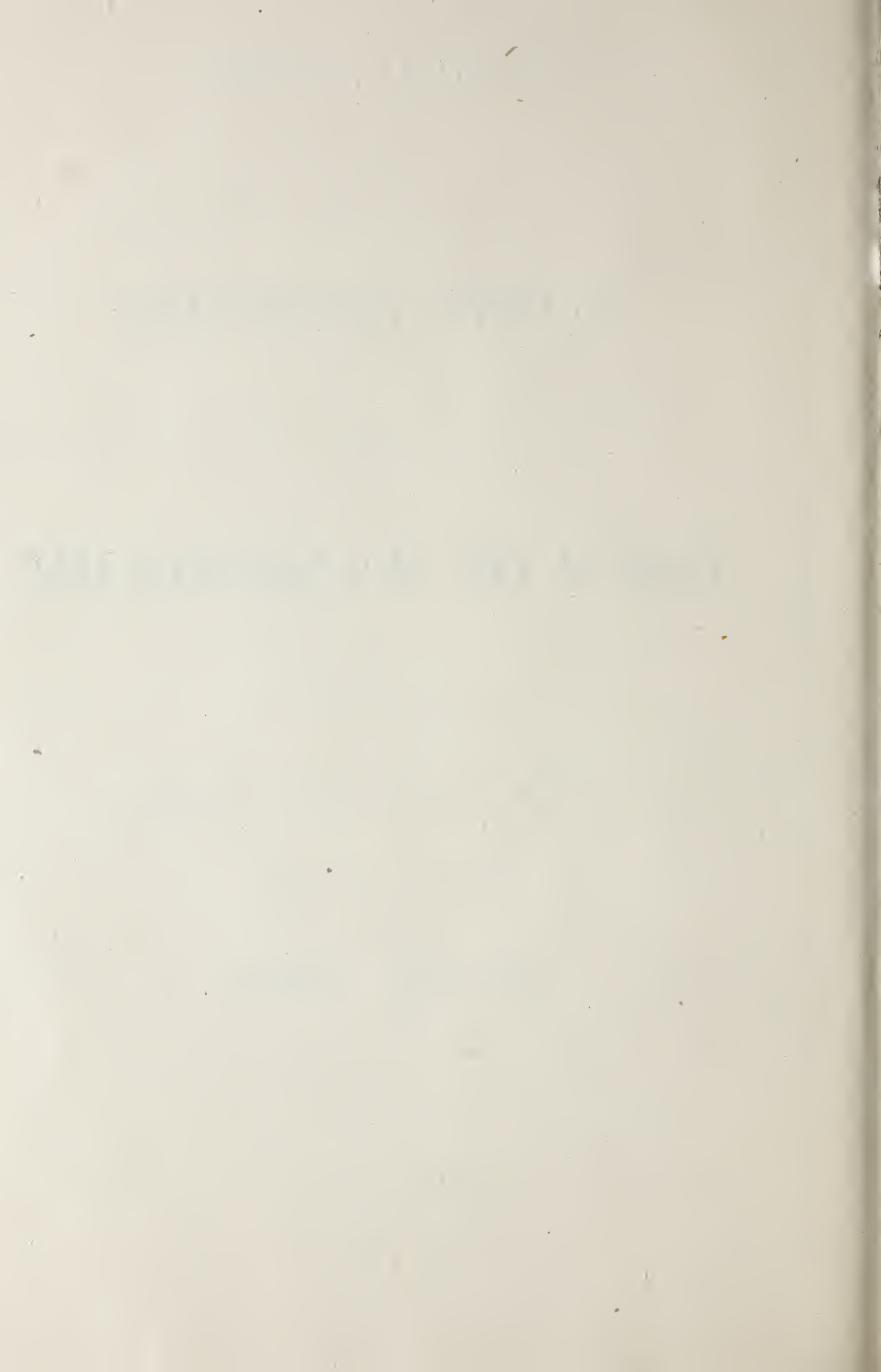
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SELECTMEN'S REPORT.

APPROPRIATIONS.

For roads and bridges,	\$1,800 00
Contingent,	250 00
Paupers,	600 00
Town officers,	250 00
Discount,	100 00
State aid,	72 00
Building horse sheds,	300 00
Winter roads,	300 00
Brooker hill road,	50 00
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	\$3,722 00

EXPENDITURES.

Cash in treasury, independent of school money, March 20, 1902,	\$119 22
From Charles Crosier, tax collector,	4,234 79
From Insane Hospital, Northampton,	126 74
From rent of hall,	2 00
From State for cattle inspection,	5 00
From State corporation tax,	20
From State for State road,	764 00
From State for State aid,	118 00
From County court fees, in Alma Tripp case,	11 08
Borrowed from Charles Crosier,,	1,000 00
Borrowed from City Savings bank,	1,000 00
Jan. 1, 1903, Charles Crosier, note,	1,000 00

RECEIPTS.

Pauper account,	\$721 50
Town officers account,	510 29
Miscellaneous,	464 97
Highway,	1,938 75
State road,	871 11
State aid,	80 00
Winter roads,	1 50
State tax,	120 00
County tax,	442 40
Paid Crosier note,	1,000 00
Paid City Savings Bank note,	1,000 00

PAUPER BILLS.

Paid Mary A. Harrington aid for 13 months, at \$6.00 per month,	\$78 00
Paid M. P. Lawton & Son., coal for Mrs. Harrington,	5 38
Paid Matilda Casey for care of Isaac Tatro, 13 months at \$6.00 per month,	78 00
Paid Edwin H. Eames for lodging tramps,	5 00
Paid A. B. Pomeroy for lodging tramps, 1901-02,	1 60
Paid Northampton Insane Hospital for care of Wm. H. Frost and Sarah McManus for the past year,	338 92
Paid Mrs. N. A. Mangen for board of Cypreau Dupont for 13 months at \$12.00 per month,	156 00
Paid Mrs. Mangen for clothing Joe Dupont,	7 25
Paid A. B. Pomeroy for keeping 14 tramps,	3 60
Paid Patrick Killian for care rendered John Madden,	5 00
Paid Maria Kelley for care of Albert Coswell,	21 25
Paid City of Boston for care of Mary Nosie,	21 50
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	\$721 50

HIGHWAYS.

Paid Michael Nevins, Jr.,	\$82 00
Herbert Pomeroy, plank,	55 22
M. C. Messenger,	172 24
William Powers,	31 50
Henry Gilbert,	58 50
William Culver,	215 50
George Kelley,	56 25
Fred Conners,	58 50
Arthur Sanders,	72 75
Irving Pomeroy,	156 00
Thomas Flynn,	75 00
Charles E. Schulze,	70 00
Charles Sanders,	45 25
P. B. McCormick for plow, dynamite and road machine repairs,	62 60
Charles B. Sanders,	100 00
Royal J. Beach,	4 50
William Peer,	8 00
Lewis Tier,	24 00

Phillip Eichelser,	30	75
Eleazer Mottor,	29	46
John Eichelser,	38	50
Frank Loehr,	5	00
John Ryan,	50	10
A. K. Beach,	18	00
A. B. Pomeroy,	11	75
Peter Tatro, private road,	5	00
Fred Schulze,	3	00
Elmer Ballou, plank,	10	87
L. E. Stone,	5	50
John Newberry,	6	50
Henry & Blain, pipes for Whitney road,	143	26
Frank Coy,	39	75
Fred Plain,	6	00
Joseph Blotz,	6	62
John Keating,	44	50
William A. Eames,	12	50
George M. Sanders,	6	00
Maurice Powers,	22	50
John B. Watson,	66	34
- C. E. Lyman, plank,	29	04
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		\$1,938 75

MISCELLANEOUS BILLS.

Paid Charles Crosier, abatement of	
Thos. Dillon tax for 1901,	4 20
Paid Chas. Crosier for abatement of	
Rufus Rounds' tax for 1901,	2 00
Paid Crosby & Noxon for council 1901,	5 00
Paid B. B. Hill Mfg. Co., for town seal,	16 00
Paid E. H. Eames for postage and sta-	
tionary for 1901,	6 87
Paid E. H. Eames inspecting and stamp-	
ing carcasses for market,	6 00
Paid A. B. Pomeroy for collector's book	
for 1899 and 1900,	1 50
Paid G. G. Summons for telegraphy,	
postage and stationary,	2 25
Paid G. G. Summons, express,	1 10
Paid Eagle Pub. Co., for printing road	
notice,	3 00
Paid George G. Simmons, for express	
and postage,	6 77
Paid Robert M. Savery, for notifying	
Mottor dist. to attend a case in court,	13 72

Paid Crosby & Noxon, council,	2 00	
Paid Elwyn W. Capen for returning births,	50	
Paid George G. Simmons for one day at Pittsfield to meet town clerks and day at fall election,	4 60	
Paid A. B. Pomeroy for stationery and postage,	3 60	
Paid Chas. Crosier for abatement of Peter Tatro, Jr., tax, also of J. H. Condron, L. H. Kennedy, W. J. Gould, James Keating and Andrew Veroni taxes,	18 60	
Paid B. & A. R. R. for lease of land for school,	1 00	
Paid Allyn G. Bridge Co., for lumber for sheds,	109 86	
Paid W. W. Carpenter for safe repairs,	4 35	
Paid Hardware Supply Co., for locks for hall,	2 00	
Paid A. B. Pomeroy for two collection books,	1 56	
Paid John B. Watson, for repairs to town hall,	72	
Paid Charles Crosier, interest on note,	20 00	
Paid Charles Crosier, discount on taxes collected,	209 90	
Paid W. L. Tucker, M. D., for return- ing two births,	50	
Paid City Savings bank interest on bank note,	17 37	
	<hr/>	\$464 97

TOWN OFFICERS.

Paid George G. Simmons for services in 1901-02 as town clerk and treasurer,	30 00
Paid E. H. Eames for services as select- men, assessor and overseer of poor 1901-02,	59 40
Paid L. E. Stone for services as se- lectman, assessor and overseer of poor for 1901-02,	51 50
Paid A. B. Pomeroy for services as se- lectman, assessor and overseer of poor for 1901-02,	19 40
Paid Wm. Bill, auditor 1902,	6 00
Paid George S. Corey, school commit- tee 1901-02,	8 68

Paid William A. Eames, cattle inspector, 1901-02,	10 00
Paid George Ende, registering voters,	3 00
Paid Edward R. Morgan for services as School committee from May 1st, 1901 to May 1st, 1902,	15 84
Paid Clinton M. Capen for auditing the past year,	2 00
Paid A. B. Pomeroy services as moderator,	3 00
Paid A. B. Pomeroy for registering voters,	4 00
Paid L. E. Stone for registering voters,	6 00
Paid Charles E. Schulze, services as ballot clerk,	2 00
Paid Michael Nevins, Jr., services as ballot clerk,	2 00
Paid William A. Eames, services as cattle inspector past year,	10 00
Paid Edward R. Morgan, services as school committee from May 1st, 1902, to Jan. 22, 1903,	16 80
Paid George S. Corey for services as school committee the past year,	16 41
Paid Clinton M. Capen, services as ballot clerk,	2 00
Paid C. B. Sanders, services as ballot clerk,	2 00
Paid G. G. Simmons, services as clerk and treasurer the past year,	30 00
Paid A. B. Pomeroy services as selectman, assessor and overseer of poor past year,	60 26
Paid L. E. Stone, services as selectman, assessor and overseer of poor past year,	41 00
Paid John B. Watson for selectman, assessor and overseer of poor past year,	34 00
Paid Charles Crosier, for services as collector,	75 00
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	\$510 29

WINTER ROADS.

Paid M. C. Messenger, one day's work opening the Winslow and Crane cross roads,	1 50
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STATE ROAD.

Paid Fred Plain,	12 00
Charles E. Schulze,	60 00
Charles B. Sanders,	20 00
Maurice Power,	34 50
Peter Tatro,	32 00
William Power,	18 00
M. Sheehan,	43 50
Charles B. Sanders,	112 75
M. C. Messenger,	40 00
A. B. Pomeroy,	97 50
C. M. Pomeroy,	33 36
Arthur Sanders,	48 75
Charles Sanders,	52 75
Charles Schulze,	43 00
Peter Tatro, Sr.,	72 00
G. W. Messenger,	47 00
M. C. Messenger,	35 00
Fred Schulze,	69 00
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	\$871 11

STATE AID.

1902.	
March 1st, Henry Gilbert,	\$6 00
April, Henry Gilbert,	6 00
May, Henry Gilbert,	6 00
June, Henry Gilbert,	6 00
July, Henry Gilbert,	6 00
Aug., Henry Gilbert,	6 00
Aug., Juliaette S. Burrows,	4 00
Sept., Henry Gilbert,	6 00
Sept., Juliaette S. Burrows,	4 00
Oct., Henry Gilbert,	6 00
Oct., Juliaette S. Burrows,	4 00
Nov. Juliaette S. Burrows,	4 00
Dec., Juliaette S. Burrows,	4 00
1903.	
Jan., Juliaette S. Burrows,	4 00
Feb., Juliaette S. Burrows,	4 00
Mch., Juliaette S. Burrows,	4 00
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	\$80 00

TREASURER'S REPORT.

In Account with Selectmen.

Cash in treasury March 20, 1902,	\$119 22
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Cash from Collector,	\$4,234 79	
Borrowed from City Savings Bank of Pittsfield,	1,000 00	
Loan from C. Crosier,	1,000 00	
Jan. 1, 1903, loan from Chas. Crosier,	1,000 00	
From Lunatic Hospital,	126 74	
State Animal Inspection,	5 00	
Rent of Hall,	2 00	
Corporation tax,	20	
Received State road money,	764 00	
State Aid,	118 00	
Court fees,	11 08	
	<hr/>	\$8,381 03
Paid selectmen's orders,		7,150 52
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Cash in treasury Mch. 18, 1903,		\$1,230 51
Treasurer's Report in account with School Committee.		
Cash in treasury March 20, 1902,		\$772 11
Cash from collector,	\$1,000 00	
From State wards,	20 50	
For School Supervision,	151 51	
From School Fund,	888 76	
Dog Fund,	47 39	
For tuition in East school,	8 50	
	<hr/>	\$2,888 77
School orders paid,		2,535 08
Balance,		353 69
Combined balance in treasury, Selectmen and School Committee accounts,		\$1584 20
GEORGE G. SIMMONS, Treasurer.		

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT.

Number of dogs licensed, male,	53
" " " female,	1
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	54
Amount received,	\$111 00
Clerk's fees at 20 cents,	10 80
Balance paid County Treasurer,	<hr/>
	\$100 20

Marriages Recorded.

June 1, 1902. Fred M. Stone to Grace F. Chase, both of Washington.

June 18, 1902. William N. Parsons of Hartford, Conn., to Alice Chapel of Washington.

Deaths.

Jan. 16, 1902. Catherine Chapel, aged 62.

Feb. 21, 1902. Mary Tetro, aged 52.

G. G. SIMMONS, Town Clerk.

FROM THE TABLE OF AGGREGATES.

Valuation of Real Estate, May 1, 1902,	\$238,288 00
Valuation of Personal Estate,	29,841 00
Total valuation,	<hr/> \$268,129 00
Rate per cent. on one thousand dollars,	19.10
Number of male polls assessed,	103
Number of horses,	148
Number of cows,	362
Number of sheep,	422
Number of neat cattle, other than cows,	263
Swine assessed,	50
Dwellings,	114
Land in acres,	23,661
Buffaloes assessed,	20
Angora Goats assessed,	45
Elk assessed,	84
Deer assessed,	19
Moose assessed,	4

ASSETS OF THE TOWN.

Cash in treasury on Selectmen's account March 18, 1903,	\$1,230 51
State Aid due from the State,	110 00
Due from Northampton Insane Hospital,	62 00
Hall rent due,	6 00
	<hr/> \$1,408 51

LIABILITIES.

Due Eagle Pub. Co., for printing reports of 1902,	\$50 00
Due Charles Crosier on note bearing date Jan. 1, 1903, one thousand dollars at 4 per cent interest,	1,000 00
	<hr/> \$1050 00
Showing a balance in favor of the town of	\$358 51

Respectfully submitted,

A. B. POMEROY,

L. E. STONE,

JOHN B. WATSON,

Selectmen of Washington.

This certifies that I have examined the vouchers and orders of the town officers and find them correct.

CLINTON M. CAPEN, Auditor,

Washington, March 18, 1903.

ANNUAL REPORT OF SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Of the Town of Washington for the Year ending March 1903.

The following report of Resources and Expenditures for the year is respectfully submitted; for other particulars your attention is called to the report of the Superintendent of Schools.

Resources.

Unexpended balance from last year,	\$ 772 11
Appropriated for schools and supervision,	1,000 00
Received from the dog fund,	47 39
Received from the Massachusetts school fund,	544 76
Received from State for supervision,	151 51
Received from State, aid for teachers,	344 00
Received from State, tuition of state wards,	20 50
Received for tuition in East School,	8 50
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	\$2,888 77

Expenditures.

Salaries of Teachers:

Robenia F. Anthony, Valley school,	
12 weeks,	\$102 00
Mary E. Watkins, Valley Grammar	
school, 20 weeks,	\$170 00
G. Viola Morgan, Valley Primary school,	
20 weeks,	160 00
Grace F. Ward, East school 12 1-5 weeks,	97 60
Rose M. Brophy, East school, 20 weeks,	160 00
Frances M. Kennedy, North Center	
school, 32 weeks,	244 00
Alice I. Redding, South Center School,	
32 weeks,	244 00
G. Viola Morgan, West school, 12 weeks,	84 00
Augusta E. Holmes, West school, 20 weeks,	120 00
Edith M. Ring, Mottor school, 12 weeks,	84 00
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	\$1,465 60

Supervision:

O. H. Adams, paid by State,	\$46 98	
Paid by town,	9 44	
	<hr/>	\$56 42
E. H. Johnson, paid by State,	107 44	
Paid by town,	21 49	
	<hr/>	\$128 93
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		\$185 35

Paid by State \$154.42; Paid by Town, \$30.93.

Books and Supplies:

O. H. Adams,	\$ 10 88	
American Book Co.,	6 34	
Boston School Supply Co.,	8 33	
Ginn & Co.,	63 34	
J. L. Hammett Co.,	19 49	
D. C. Heath & Co.,	37 91	
Houghton, Mifflin & Co.,	18 28	
Henry R. Johnson,	11 73	
Frances M. Kennedy,	71	
Silver, Burdett, & Co.,	29 30	
	<hr/>	\$206 31

Maps, Globes, and Blackboards:

Rand, McNally & Co.,	\$91 26	
Supplies for Superintendent's Office and Teachers' Records:		
O. H. Adams,	\$5 25	
Allyn & Bacon,	1 25	
Glens Falls Pub. Co.,	3 97	
J. L. Hammett Co.,	1 50	
E. H. Johnson,	1 13	
Library Bureau,	3 90	
	<hr/>	\$17 00

School Furniture:

Chandler Chair and Desk Works, furniture for		
Valley school,		\$103 40

School-House Repairs:

W. J. Cross, painting and repairing North and South Center school-houses,	\$73 00	
C. S. Ferry & Son., lumber for Valley primary,	11 89	
P. B. McCormick, paint and supplies,	41 99	
E. R. Morgan, book-cupboards, shelves, and placing same in North and South Center schools,	9 00	
E. R. Morgan, work, repairs, lumber, etc.,	14 25	
Maurice Powers, material and work for Mottor school,	7 14	
August Schulze, work at SouthCenter school,	3 00	
	<hr/>	\$160 27

Wood:

Royal Beach, Valley schools,	\$17 50	
Charles R. Johnson, kindling for East school,	50	
C. E. Lyman, East school,	5 00	

J. H. Ryan, East school,	10 00	
C. B. Sanders, North Center school,	10 00	
Fred Schulze, South Center school,	7 00	
R. G. Kellogg, West school,	10 00	
	<hr/>	\$60 00

Care of School Houses:

Thomas Powers, Jr., Valley Grammar school,	\$6 00	
G. Viola Morgan, Valley Primary school,	4 00	
Charles R. Johnson, East school,	2 50	
Mrs. John Ryan, East school,	2 00	
Rose M. Brophy, East school,	3 75	
Frances M. Kennedy, North Center school,	6 90	
Mrs. Middlebrook, South Center school,	1 00	
Alice I. Redding, South Center school,	2 50	
G. Viola Morgan, West school,	3 00	
	<hr/>	\$31 65

Rent of Room for Valley Primary School:

Edward Suchmiller, for 20 weeks,	\$20 00
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Transportation of Pupils:

Libbie Congdon, from Gongdon to New Lenox school,	\$96 00	
E. Mottor, to Valley schools, 3½ weeks,	10 50	
	<hr/>	\$106 50

High School Tuition:

Tuition of L. May Johnson in Pittsfield high school,	\$25 20
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Postage:

O. H. Adams,	\$7 90	
E. H. Johnson,	6 20	
Frances M. Kennedy,	18	
	<hr/>	\$14 28

Express and Freight:

O. H. Adams,	\$1 81	
G. G. Simmons,	11 87	
E. H. Johnson,	1 18	
	<hr/>	\$14 86

Miscellaneous:

Mrs. A. Mabel Ball for teaching her daughter at home for 20 weeks,	\$6 00
George Ende, placing desks in Valley school,	4 00
E. R. Morgan, taking School Census, 1902,	8 00

Incidental expenses of Supt. Adams,	4 42	
Incidental expenses of Supt. Johnson,	10 98	
	<hr/>	\$33 40
Total expenditures,		\$2,535 08
Unexpended balance April 1, 1903,		353 69
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		\$2,888 77

RESOURCES, APRIL 1, 1903.

Due from State for supervision,	\$95 50	
Due from State aid for teachers,	200 00	
Due from State, rebate of high school tuition,	25 20	
Due from State, tuition of State wards,	14 00	
Due for tuition in East school,	2 00	
Unexpended balance,	353 69	
	<hr/>	\$690 39

EDWARD R. MORGAN,
GEORGE S. COREY,
MRS. H. LOUISE CAPEN,
School Committee of Washington.

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS.

To the School Committee of Washington:

I herewith submit to you my first report of the schools of the Town of Washington.

The following changes have been made during the year in the Course of Study and Text-books for the schools of the town. Several of the text-book changes had already been started by Supt. Adams and have been carried out by me:

The work in numbers in the lower grades has been made more uniform and more logical by using Wentworth & Reed's "First Steps in Number" as the basis for the work throughout the first four grades.

The change from the old edition of Frye's geographies to the new "Elements of Geography" and "Grammar School Geography" has been completed in all the schools. The work in Physical Geography in Grade VIII. has been simplified and greatly improved by substituting Davis's new elementary book for the advanced book.

The course in History has, I think, been greatly improved and strengthened by the adoption of Tappan's "Our Country's Story" as a text-book for Grade V. and making Montgomery's "American History" the text-book for grades VI.,

VII. and VIII. with Fisk's "History of the United States" as a reference book for all three grades instead of a text-book for Grade VIII. I believe that every grammar school graduate should have some practical knowledge of elementary Civil Government. I have therefore reduced the History recitations in Grade VIII. to three per week and have given the remaining two periods to Civil Government, using Dole's "American Citizen" as a text-book.

I think that all teachers of Language classes in the town will agree with me in the statement that the change from the old edition to the new Hyde's "Two-Book Course in English" has been a good one.

Colton's "Elementary Physiology" has been supplied to all pupils in grades VI., VII., and VIII.

The introduction of the Ward Method of Teaching Reading has been completed by supplying all schools with the Manual, Phonetic Cards, and Readers. To teach Reading successfully by the Ward Method requires of the teacher careful study and very thorough work with her classes, but the results that are being secured by the use of this method amply repay the extra work required of the teacher.

I believe that Spelling is one of the subjects that has been neglected during recent years and that very little systematic and thorough work in Spelling is accomplished without the aid of a text-book. Sheldon's "Word Studies" has therefore been supplied for all pupils above Grade III.

Seven Teachers' Meetings have been held in my district since Sept. 1st. three at Becket and four at Chester. Two of these were addressed by Mr. Cooley, representing Silver, Burdett & Co., on the "Ward Method of Teaching Reading"; and one by Mr. Walter Sargent, Assistant State Director of Drawing, on "Drawing and Nature Study." These meetings have been fairly well attended by the teachers.

The Valley Grammar School has been supplied with new furniture during the year, and good maps and globes have been purchased for four of the schools in the town. The North Center and South Center school-houses have been repaired and painted inside and outside.

An advance step has been taken by the School Committee and one decidedly for the best interests of the schools by raising the amount of salary paid in three schools of the town, making the amount now paid by the town \$6 per week in all the schools except in the Valley Grammar School, where the amount has been for some time \$6.50. If the town had to pay the entire salary of each teacher, we certainly could not expect to secure good teachers at less than \$6 per week; and

since the State is generous enough to aid us in securing good teachers by paying \$2 per week of the salary of each teacher who secures State approval, we ought to be willing to pay at least as much as we should have to pay without the State aid and thereby do our part toward securing and retaining for our schools teachers who are in fact as well as in name "teachers of exceptional ability." And since we are entitled to the benefits of this State aid for all our schools, we ought to insist that every teacher employed in our town be a teacher who can secure and retain the State approval.

Washington is one of the towns where a small school population is scattered over a large extent of territory and where distances are further magnified by bad roads during a large part of the year. In such a town it is a constant problem for the school committee to determine where schools should be maintained each year so as to best accommodate the people and serve the best interests of all the pupils in the town. Not every family in the town can expect to have a school located near their home. It is as unfair to maintain an unnecessarily large number of schools as to maintain an insufficient number. It is far better for the welfare of the pupils and the progress of education in the town to maintain a small number of well equipped schools rather than a large number of small poorly equipped schools. Some of the people must be willing to sacrifice something of personal convenience for the best interests of the majority.

After careful consideration and following the advice of Mr. Fletcher, the School Committee decided to close the Mottor School during the present school year and relieve the crowded condition of the Valley School by maintaining at Washington Station a Grammar School and a Primary School. In spite of the fact that the pupils from the Mottor district have during most of the time failed to attend the Valley schools and in spite of the very irregular attendance of many of the other pupils, I believe that the improved condition of the school work at the Valley has proved the wisdom of the action taken by the School Committee. I am fully convinced that the best interests of not only all the children living in the vicinity but also all the children in the town would be served by establishing and maintaining at the Valley a well equipped graded school of two departments to be in session at least 36 weeks each year and to be open to all pupils living in any part of the town who wish to attend that school.

The irregular attendance and truancy in this town is a matter that demands careful consideration and vigorous action of some kind. Parents have no right to deprive their

children of the privilege of a free education, and pupils who are only present one-third or one-half of the time cannot expect to keep their places in classes or grades or to make much progress toward such an education as will be a real foundation upon which to build future success.

I give below the average ages Sept. 2, 1902, by grades of the pupils registered in the Washington schools during the Fall Term, 1902:

Grade,	I.	II.	III.	IV.	V.	VI.	VII.	VIII
Age,	7.1	8.0	9.0	10.5	11.2	13.4	12.3	14.2

I believe that a printed Course of Study, showing in detail the work of each grade and giving suggestions of method and character of work desired, would be a great help to teachers, pupils, and parents. Such a course would be suggestive to even the best trained teacher, and is almost indispensable for the young and inexperienced teacher.

I wish to urge upon teachers and pupils the value of good oral recitations. The ability to tell what one knows so that others can clearly understand is the test of a really valuable education. When a pupil can so read a selection from good literature as to show his own understanding and appreciation of the selection and can convey that understanding and appreciation to his hearers, or when a pupil given a topic for recitation can discuss that topic without the aid of teacher or classmates in a clear tone, with distinct enunciation, and with definite and positive statements, such a pupil has gained a mastery that will never forsake him in his later work. I believe that we should require also throughout the graded and high school course much more work than we now do in memorizing short selections from the masterpieces of English and American literature.

In closing, I wish to thank the members of the School Committee and the teachers for their hearty co-operation in my work for the schools.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWIN HOWARD JOHNSON,

Superintendent of Schools.

March 2nd, 1903.

NAMES OF TEACHERS, April 1902—March 1903

Name of School.	No. of Weeks.	Salary per Month.	Name of Teacher.	Where Educated.	Home Address.
Valley.	12	\$34	Robenia F. Anthony,	*Boston University,	Chelsea
Valley G.	20	34	Mary E. Watkins,	*Lansingburg Sem.	Lanesboro
Valley P.	20	32	G. Viola Morgan,	*Westfield High,	Becket
East.	12	32	Grace F. Ward,	*Smith College,	Lynn
East.	20	32	Rose M. Brophy,	*Framingham Nor.,	Saxonville
Mottor.	15	28	Edith M. Ring,	Westfield Nor.,	Springfield
N. Center.	32	\$28-\$32	Frances M. Kennedy,	North Adams Nor.,	Pittsfield
S. Center.	32	\$28-\$32	Alice I. Redding,	Lowell Nor.,	Becket
West.	12	\$28	G. Viola Morgan,	*Westfield High,	Becket
West.	20	24	Augusta E. Holmes,	Chester High,	Chester
				*Graduate.	

The Superintendent's time and salary paid by each town is apportioned for this year on the basis of the Aver. Mem. of the towns of the district for the school year, 1900-1901, as follows :

	Average Membership	Actual Cost to the Towns.	Div. of Time in Days per Week.
Becket,	162.1	\$67.28	1.34
Chester,	265.2	110.05	2.21
Middlefield,	105.7	44.02	.88
Washington,	68.8	28.65	.57
Totals,	601.8	\$250.00	5.00

Statistics for School Year ending July 1st., 1902.

Name of School	Number Enrolled	Average Membership	Average Attendance	Per Cent of Attendance	Times Tardy	Times Dismissed	Number of Visitors
Valley,	42	29.8	23.6	79.3	198	67	31
East,	12	8.1	7.0	86.3	164	24	21
Mottor,	11	7.1	6.1	86.2	118	16	12
N. Center,	17	7.4	6.2	83.6	32	26	41
S. Center,	16	11.3	10.2	89.7	95	4	18
West,	6	3.9	3.4	88.2	6	3	31
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	100	67.6	56.5	83.6	613	140	154

* Counted twice.

Comparative Statistics for the years, 1897-1902.

	1897	1898	1899	1900	1901	1902
Number Enrolled,	83	86	82	90	96	100
Average Membership,	61.2	58.9	57.3	71.9	68.8	67.6
Average Attendance,	53.3	50.	47.5	59.8	58.3	56.5
Per Cent. of Attendance,	86.3	84.7	82.9	83.1	84.1	83.6
No. of Occupied B'dgs.	6	6	7	7	6	6
No. of Schools,	6	6	7	7	6	6
No. of Different Teachers,	12	10	13	11	11	
No. of Changes,	6	4	6	4	5	

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